

SENATE BILL 374

By Ketron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17 and Title 57, relative to prohibiting powdered or crystalline alcohol.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 57, Chapter 3, Part 4, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

(a) No person shall sell or offer for sale for human consumption powdered or crystalline alcohol.

(b) Subsection (a) does not apply to any of the following:

(1) Any substance regulated by the food and drug administration in the United States department of health and human services that is not either of the following:

(A) Beer or intoxicating liquor; or

(B) A compound that could be converted into beer or intoxicating liquor;

(2) A medication that requires a prescription; or

(3) An over-the-counter medication.

(c) A violation of subsection (a) is a Class A misdemeanor. In addition to any criminal penalty imposed by this subsection (c), the commission may suspend or revoke any license or permit issued under this title held by any person who violates subsection (a).

(d) As used in this section:

(1) "Over-the-counter medication" means medication that may be legally sold and purchased without a prescription;

(2) "Powdered or crystalline alcohol" means a product that is manufactured into a powdered or crystalline form and that contains any amount of alcohol; and

(3) "Prescription" means an order, formula, or recipe issued in any form of oral, written, electronic, or other means of transmission by a duly licensed practitioner authorized by the laws of this state.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015, the public welfare requiring it.